

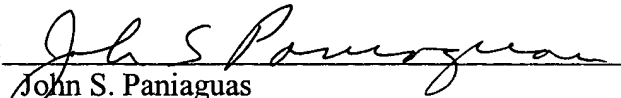
## REMARKS

Upon entry of the instant amendment, claims 1-16 are pending. It is respectfully submitted that all issues raised in the Official Action have been addressed. In particular, a replacement drawing sheet for Fig. 1 is attached. This drawing sheet has been revised as suggested in the Detailed Action. A new abstract is also enclosed which is less than 150 words. In addition, paragraphs [0013], [0014], [0016], and claim 4 have been amended as suggested in the Detailed Action. Finally, claim 10 has been amended to correct the antecedent basis problem as suggested in the Detailed Action. Based on the above, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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